## **Diocesan** Appointments



#### **Pastors**

Father Robert Downs to pastor, St. Pius X, Van Etten, from associate pastor, Guardian Angels, Henrietta.

Father Bernard Kuchman to pastor, St. Michael. Montezuma, and St. John, Port Byron, from administrator, St. Pius X, Van Etten.

Father Edwin B. Metzger to pastor, Holy Redeemer, from Clinical Pastoral Education work in Buffalo.

Father Paul Schnacky to pastor, St. Patrick's, Cato, and Thomas, Red Creek, from associate pastor, Holy Redeemer, Rochester.

#### **Associate Pastors**

Father Paul Cloonan to St. Mary, Canandaigua, from Our Laldy of Good Counsel, Rochester.

Father Albert DelMonte to Guardian Angels, Henrietta, from Christ the King, Irondequoit.

Father Ronald Frederick to St. Pius X, Chili, from Church of the Assumption, Fairport.

Father Frederick Helfrich to St. Thomas More, Brighton, from Holy Name of Jesus, Greece.

Father Thomas Hoctor to St. Louis, Pittsford, from Campus Ministry, University of Rochester.

Father Gerard McMahon to Corpus Christi, Rochester, from St. Mary, Corning.

Father William Michatek to St. John of Rochester, Perinton, from Holy Trinity, Webster.

Father Neil Miller to St. Casimir, Elmira, from copastor, St. Augustine, Rochester.

-Father David Mura to Christ the King, Rochester, from Immaculate Conception, Ithaca.

Father James F. O'Connell to St. Mary, Bath, from pastor emeritus, St. Mary, Waterloo.

Father John L. O'Connor, to Holy Trinity, Webster, from St. Pius X, Chili.

Father Foster Rogers to Church of the Assumption, Fairport, from St. John the Evangelist, Greece.

Father Lawrence Sansom to Our Lady of Good Counsel, Rochester, from pastoral work outside the

Father Patrick Seelman, TOR (Third Order Regular, Franciscan) to St. Mary, Elmira, from Altoona, Pa

Father Louis Vasile to St. Patrick, Corning, from St. Christopher, North Chili.

Father John Zimmerman to Immaculate Conception, Ithaca, from St. Thomas More, Brighton.

#### **Special Assignments**

Father David Heinsler, associate pastor of St. Bridget Rochester, to be temporary administrator, in residence, of Holy Redeemer, Rochester.

Father Robert Kennedy to be Diocesan Director, Department of Liturgy, from priest internship at St. Mary, Canandaigua.

Father Eugene Emo to be chaplain, St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, from associate pastor, St. Michael,

Father William J. Spellecy, former director of field education at St. Bernard's Seminary, released from active

#### Assistant Pastors in Internship

Father Thomas Koester to St. John the Evangelist, Greece, from deacon intern, St. Paul of the Cross, Honeoye Falls.

Father Stephen Kraus to St. Mary's, Corning, from deacon intern, St. Andrew, Rochester.

Father William Laird to Holy Name of Jesus, Greece, from deacon intern, Blessed Sacrament, Rochester

Father Charles Manning to St. Mary, Waterloo, from deacon intern, Holy Ghost, Coldwater.

Father Robert Weiss to St. Mary Our Mother, Horseheads, from assistant pastor/intern, Corpus Christi,

### Alan Monahan Named DPC Chairman

Alan R. Mohahan of Filbert Place, East Rochester, elected to he Diocesan Pastoral Council as liaison member for the Northeast Region, was named chairman of the council at its organization meeting Sunday afternoon, June 15, at Becket Hall.

James A. Chisholm of Culver Parkway, Rochester, a lifelong member of Immaculate Conception parish, was named vice chairman.

Both are active in civic as well as parish affairs. Dr. Monahan, a member of St. Jerome's, is principal scientist in a Xerox. research laboratory. Chisholm is accounting supervisor in the Mobil chemical plant in Canandaigua:

Three women and three men were elected as the executive committee. They are Liz Quinn of Rochester, a University of Rochester student; Mrs. Joyce Snyder, of St. Christopher parish, North Chili, a trained, experienced teacher who has served on parish and regional education committees; Mrs. Marilyn Muench of Fairport, who has been involved in CCD at St. John of Rochester and in many other parish and community enterprises

Father Louis Hohman, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul, Churchville, and espiscopal adivser to the Courier-Journal; Thomas Costello of Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Elmira, a teacher in the St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing, and Thomas Cass of St. Michael parish in Newark, a Xerox em

The committee will meet with the executive secretary, Sister Mary Ann Binsack, who was appointed by Bishop Joseph L

The Diocesan Pastoral Council will assemble again in September, probably in Ceneva because of that city's central location.

#### ELECTIONS

Geneseo — The Parish Council for St. Mary's Parish elected officers for the coming year at an organizational meeting for new members held last week.

The new officers are: Mrs. Charles (Mary) Miskell, president; loseph Quirk, vice president; and Mrs. Roger (Ruth) Clouser, secretary Joseph Quirk, Mrs. William (Mary) Derby, and Daniel Mullin were also chosen to serve on the council in recent elections. The Parish Council serves as an advisory group to Father

#### CFC BOARD

At the Catholic Family Center's annual dinner meeting, the group honored retiring board members Mrs. Sally Prince, William C. Burke, Richard A. Miller and Jose E. Pinero. New board members were installed and included Paul R. Braunsdorf, Thomas B. Brown Jr., Harry P. Messina Jr., Mrs. Ivette Solgado and Robert Coyle. Officers elected were Lawrence V. Camuso, president; Miss Marion C. Leaty, vice president, and Kenneth J. Mangan, secretary Father Joseph I D'Aurizio, director of Catholic Charities was the main speaker.

# Diocese Lists 36 Changes

Father Edwin Metzger was ippointed pastor this week of Holy Redeemer Church in Rochester's inner city. Three priests were named to rural pastorates, and 19 associate pastors received new posts.

Five newly ordained priests were assigned to parishes where they will serve internships, and five deacons were given their initial internship assignments.

Two special positions were filled and one temporary appointment made. The Pastoral Office announcement of changes names 36 men. June 26 is the effective date.

Father Paul Schnacky of Holy Redeemer will go to St. Patrick, Cato, and St. Thomas, Red Creek; Father Robert Downs of Guardian Angels, to St. Pius X, and Father Bernard Kuchman, who has been serving the Van Etten parish, to St. Michael, Montezuma, and St. John, Port

Father Robert Kennedy, now at St. Mary's, Canandaigua will become diocesan director of the Liturgy Office. Father Eugene Emo will be chaplain at St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell, moving from St. Michael's,

Because of a commitment elsewhere, Father Metzger will be unable to assume full responsibility at Holy Redeemer until August, so Father David Heinsler will serve as temporary ad-ministrator, in residence, the Pastoral Office explained.

Father, Heinsler, associate pastor of the nearby St. Bridget parish, will be assisted by other priests of the area, including Father Robert Ritz, CSB, of Aquina Institute, who has been working among Spanish-speaking residents of the inner-city.

"Coordination of ministries in the central city will be planned under the direction of the newly appointed vicar for Urban Ministry, Msgr. George A. Cocuzzi/ the announcement

Father Metzger will be succeeding Msgr: Joseph E. Vogt, who is retiring. The new pastor, long engaged in field training for seminarians and in Clinical Pastoral Education, currently is teaching a CPE group at Meyer Memorial Hospital in Buffalo. He is a Rochesterian, from St. Michael's, and a 1947 graduate of Aquinas. He was ordained in 1955, after study in the diocesan seminaries, and served as an assistant in several parishes before his-assignment to the St. Bernard's Seminary faculty and administration in 1967.

Father Schnacky, associate pastor at Holy Redeemer for the past 10 years, served as assistant coordinator and then, coordinator of the North Region. In addition to his parish duties, he helped out at the Mercy Sisters' Joseph Avenue center. The parish will give a party for him and Msgr. Vogt tomorrow night, and a reception Sunday afternoon. Their farewell Mass will feature the music of both choir and folk group. Father Schnacky was ordained in 1953.

Father Downs, pastor of St. John the Evangelist in Spencerport for three years, elected last January to serve as an associate at Guardian Angels. Earlier, he was pastor at Aurora and Union Springs. He was ordained in 1951.

Father Kuchman, ordained in 9 1940, served as an Air Force-chaplain, 1948-50. The striking church of St. Januarius in Naples was built during his pastorate, 1964-1971

## Stand Firm on Abortions, Theologian Tells Hospitals

Dubuque, Iowa [RNS] + Individual responsibility cannot always conform to what the law says," a Roman Catholic theologian said here in defending the Catholic medical institution's position on abortion and sterilization.

He said that Catholic hospitals. today have a "prophetic function to fulfill with regard to public morality" and cannot give ground adding that "pressures on Catholic hospitals are growing. more severe and they are notgoing to go away - ever."

Speaking particularly to the question of sterilization, Father Donald Keefe, SJ, of St. Louis University took issue with Father Charles Curran, a moral theologian at the Catholic University of America. He said Father Curran has proposed that Catholic physicians and Catholic hospitals may cooperate in a "good faith" sterilization of a non-Catholic, even when personal belief is opposed to the operation.

The high profile of the Catholic image (opposing sterilization) must be maintained," said Father Keefe, during a talk to the St. Thomas Study Group made up of local priests concerned primarily about medical-moral practices. He observed that "as the advance of technology progresses, the implications become more severe."

Father Keefe warned of continuing pressures on Catholic hospitals because government funds are needed to maintain medical facilities, because health insurance programs are seeking uniformity in medical practice and because advocates of euthanasia and genetic engineering are becoming more vocal.

The Jesuit priest went on to describe freedom as "the degree to which one can live out one's conviction even against the public ethos." Yet, he added, because of the size and influence of the Catholic Church there are those who maintain that the Catholic school system is divisive

"These are the same people who would applaud the lehovah Witnesses for not saluting the flag or the Amish for defying the laws of education," he said.

#### BANGLADESH LEGATE

Vatican City [RNS] - Pope Paul received the credentials of Bangladesh's first Ambassador to the Holy See at a special audience here June 9. In a brief address of welcome to Am-bassador. Humayen Rashik Chukuri, the Pope recalled his own brief visit to Bangladesh then the eastern portion of Pakistan) during his far East tour

#### Deacons Entering the Internship Program

Rev. Mr. Peter Clifford to Holy Ghost, Coldwater.

Rev. Mr. Thomas Mull to St. Andrew's, Rochester.

Rev. Mr. Thomas Valenti to St. Mary of the Lake, Ontario.

Rev. Mr. James Thomas to St. Joseph, Penfield.

Mr. Daniel Karl, soon to be ordained to the diaconate to St. Columba, Caledonia.